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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97 through 1.98, applicants wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office the references set forth on the attached Forms PTO-1449. This application is a continuation-in-part and relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior USAN 09/429,755, filed October 28, 1999; which is a continuation-in-part of 09/289,198, filed April 9, 1999; which is a continuation-in-part of 09/062,451, filed April 17, 1998; which is a continuation-in-part of 08/991,789, filed December 11, 1997; which is a continuation-in-part of 08/838,762, filed April 9, 1997; which claims priority to International Patent Application No. PCT/US97/00485, filed January 10, 1998; which is a continuation-in-part of 08/700,014, filed August 20, 1996; which is a continuation-in-part of 08/585,392, filed January 11, 1996. The references listed on pages 1-5 of the attached Forms PTO-1449 were submitted to and/or cited by the Patent and Trademark Office in these prior applications and, therefore, are not required to be provided in

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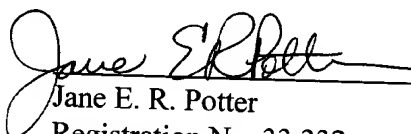
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this application. If the Examiner wishes, copies will be provided upon request. However, the references listed on pages 6-9 of Forms PTO-1449 have not been submitted to and/or cited by the Office in these prior applications and are being submitted herewith.

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